The Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec and the Public Health.

The Provincial Board of Health has collected in the present pamphlet all the articles of the Municipal Code which define the powers of Municipal Councils on matters connected with Public Health.

These articles are given under the same numbers and in the same order as in the Code.

Art. 386. The *Inspector of roads* must, forthwith, or at the expiration of the delay granted in cases which come under the provisions of article 389, *(a)* cause the removal or suppression of all obstructions and **nuisances** from the municipal roads, sidewalks, ferries and bridges, within the limits of his jurisdiction, by the persons who have occasioned them, or in the event of their refusal or neglect, by any other person whom he authorizes so to do, at the costs of the person in default.

(a) The provisions of this article do not relate to public sanitation.

Such costs are recovered in the same manner as penalties imposed by the provisions of this code, and the local corporation is answerable therefore if the person in default is without means.

If the person who occasioned such obstructions or nuisances is unknown, they must be removed at the expense of the corporation of the local municipality.

Art. 387. The following are deemed obstructions or nuisances: **Filth, dead animals,** or other objects placed or left on any municipal road or bridge, or in any water course or ditch connected with such road or bridge. (*a*).....

Art. 391. Whoever causes any obstruction or **nuisance** on any municipal road, sidewalk, ferry or bridge, or renders the use thereof difficult or dangerous, incurs for each offence, over and above the damages occasioned thereby, a **penalty** of not less than two or more than ten dollars.

Art. 406. *Rural inspectors* are bound to do whatever is required of them, in virtue of the provisions of this code, respecting

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public nuisances, clearances, boundary ditches or boundary fences. *(a)*.....

They are also bound within the limits of the division for which they have been appointed, to perform all the other duties which are imposed upon them by the provisions of this code or **by municipal by-laws.**

Art. 415. Whenever any **filth** or **dead animal** has been deposited **upon any property whatever** or in a **water-course, stream** or **river,** it is the duty of the rural inspector of the division, within twenty-four hours after he has received a special notice, either written or verbal, so to do, to have such filth or dead animal removed by the person who deposited it.

If the person who has deposited such filth or dead anir l is unknown, it is the duty of the rural inspector, within the same delay, to cause the same to be removed at the expense of the corporation.

Art. 416. Whoever deposits or causes to be deposited **any filth** or **dead animal** upon any of the localities mentioned in

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the preceding article, incurs over and above any damages occasioned thereby, the **penalties** prescribed by article 391.

Power :

Art. 507. To authorise the officers of the council **to visit and examine all property,** whether moveable or immoveable, as well as the interior or exterior of every house, building or other edifice, to ascertain whether or not the by-laws of the council are carried out.

To oblige owners or occupants of such properties, buildings and edifices to receive the officers of the council, and to answer truly all questions which are put to them relative to the carrying out of such municipal by-laws.

Art. 508. To impose for each violation of any by-law of the council, a **penalty,** in the shape of a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days.

Penalties imposed for violation of municipal by-laws cannot be inflicted by the court, unless they are fully described and set forth in the by-laws respecting them.

Art. 509. Every council may also, in the interest of the inhabitants of the municipality make, amend or repeal **any other by-law,** for a purely local and municipal object and not specially provided for by this code.

Power :

Art. 543. To open, enclose, embellish, improve and maintain, at the costs and charges of the corporation, **squares, parks,** or **public places,** of a nature to conduce to the health and well-being of the inhabitants of the municipality.

Art. 545. To oblige such proprietors to make and maintain **sewers** in front of their respective properties.

Art. 546. To determine the manner in which such side-walks or **sewers** must be made or maintained; and even to construct them at the expense of the corporation, or by apportionment upon a portion of the municipality.

Art. 592. To compel the proprietors or occupants of houses to clean their **stables, cattle-sheds, pigsties, out-houses, privies,** and the **yards** connected with such buildings, at such times and in such manner as the council deems expedient.

Art. 593. To prevent the making deposits of **substances** or **matters from whence issue noxious gases** or **odours,** such as coal oil, superphosphate of lime in course of preparation, **detritus** or **remains of dead animals, the contents of privies and the like;** and to regulate the mode of making such deposits.

Art. 596. To regulate the manner in which **public** or **private slaughter houses** must be built and kept in repair.

Art. 607. To establish **Boards of health** and appoint the members thereof.

Art. 608. To take proper measures for securing the inhabitants of the municipality from **contagious** or **pestilential diseases,** or for disminishing the danger resulting therefrom.

Art. 637. To provide for the establishment, protection and management of **aqueducts, public wells** or **reservoirs,** and to prevent the same from being fouled or wasted.

Arc. 643. To prevent the throwing into any public road or way, lane or passage, any **sweepings, filth, dirty water,** or other **ordure;** and order the removal

thereof at the expense of the corporation or of those who caused such nuisances.

Art. 644. To compel the owner or occupant of a piece of land bordering upon a road or square, to remove the snow, ice, or **filth,** from the sidewalk or road fronting such land, even in cases where the road work is at the costs and charges of the corporation ; to remove the snow and ice from the roofs of houses or other buildings erected on the public roads ; and order the road inspector to cause such nuisances to be removed, at the expense of the owner or occupant who refuses or neglects so to do.

Art. 646. To regulate the construction of **privies** and **cellars,** and the manner in which they are drained.

Art. 649. To prevent or regulate the construction of **slaughter-houses, gas-works, tanneries, candle** or **soap factories, distilleries** and **other manufactories** which may become public nuisances ; and to cause the removal of **slaughter-houses** then existing in the municipalities.

Art. 650. To prevent any person from carrying, depositing or leaving in the

municipality, or in the waters which border upon it, **dead bodies** or **other deleterious substances.**

Art. 651. To oblige the owners or occupants of all **groceries, cellars, manufactories, tanneries, drains** or **other unhealthy and unwholesome places,** to keep them clean and render them wholesome.

Art. 652. To compel all owners or occupants of lands on which there are **stagnant waters,** to drain or fill them up, and, in case of neglect or refusal on the part of such persons, to authorize the officers of the corporation to undertake such work at their expense.